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Friends,

It is with a heavy heart that I share with you that a man I greatly admired has passed, Richard Duardo. I met Richard at UCLA as a fellow alumni and considered him a friend. He was a great artist who brought so much joy to so many.

I was able to honor him with his wife and colleagues by adjourning Wednesday's City Council in his memory. His passing is a tremendous loss for Highland Park as well as the City of Los Angeles.



May you rest in peace my brother, we will miss you.

Sincerely,

Gilbert A. Cedillo
Councilmember, First District

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Asian Delegation with Mayor Garcetti

We are accompanying Mayor Garcetti on a trade delegation to Asia with a group of Los Angeles business leaders and city council colleagues. Our delegation will visit China, South Korea and Japan over the next week. As a global destination for business, we will promote and encourage investment, trade and tourism.

Veteran Day Honoree Roy Payan

On Wednesday, the City Council honored Veterans throughout the City of Los Angeles. We chose to honor Mr. Roy Payan for his service as a Chief in the Navy, but also for his ongoing leadership as a resident of Montecito Heights. I want to thank all Veterans for their service to our country.

Foreclosure Registry

The City Council unanimously passed our Foreclosure Registry this past week and it should go into effect in the next 30 days. We are pleased that the City will be able to have stronger enforcement in order to prevent blight from foreclosed homes in our neighborhoods.

Housing Department Meeting

This past Thursday, we addressed the Housing and Community Investment Department all staff meeting regarding important issue we are facing. One of our priorities is the preservation of our existing affordable housing rental units as well as creating new affordable housing stock. As the housing shortage continues in the City of Los Angeles, we will continue to encourage and advocate for affordable housing in new real estate development projects in the First District.

City Planning Commission Approves New “Olympia Hotel”

This week, the City Planning Commission granted zoning approvals to allow the construction of a new 149 guest room hotel with 8,600 square feet of ground floor restaurant, café and banquet space and a roof garden, swimming pool and gym facilities for guests at 1700 West Olympic Blvd. in the First District. The project is sponsored by the CK Hospitality group based in Los Angeles.

We believe this hotel project will be an economic catalyst for the Olympic Boulevard corridor, just west of Downtown Los Angeles. Team Cedillo welcomes continued economic investment which will create jobs, generate tax revenues and upgrade our neighborhoods.

FIELD UPDATE

Lincoln Heights Education Forum

On Saturday, my office joined the Mayor's Office, United Teachers of Los Angeles (UTLA), and non profit, Barrio Action to discuss education and health and social services to support students and their families. Over 100 people attended to participate in table discussions and receive information about local resources.

Cypress Park Veterans Day Ceremony

On Saturday, Team Cedillo joined over 200 community members in honoring our Veterans past and present. This year we gave special thanks and honor to Marcus Gutierrez, U.S. Army Vietnam and John Ramirez, U.S. Army 82nd Airborne Division for their service to our country. Both of these veterans returned home and helped establish the Cypress Park Veterans Memorial.

We also recognized Janice Mendoza, student at Nightingale Middle School in Cypress Park for winning the school essay contest about "What is a Veteran?" She shared her essay with us and my heart filled with joy as she truly understood that veterans are people with courage that sacrifice so we can have our freedom.

NELA Veteran's Day Parade

This past Sunday, We were honored to participate in the 9th Annual Northeast Los Angeles Veterans Day Parade. The event began with a solemn ceremony at the Eagle Rock City Hall, which played a great tribute to our brave men and women that served our Country and honored those who have fallen. The parade was well attended with local community members who came out to pay tribute to our local heroes. After the parade, community members enjoyed live music, food, and cake at the Highland Park Senior Center. It was a great event that was an amazing tribute and way to thank our Veterans.

American Legion Post 206 Veteran's Day Dinner

We joined the American Legion Post 206 in Highland Park hosted their annual Veterans Day Dinner on Tuesday. Vice Commander Rudy Schwartz served as master of ceremonies for the dinner and the program paid homage to our veterans throughout the nation. We were able to present certificates to the Post's community supporters. The event was a great opportunity to get to know the local veterans and hear their stories on how their served our county in the military.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Help Avenue 50 Studio

Help Avenue 50 Studio reach our fundraising goal!
Please join us for a tour of the Latin American Collection at the LA County Museum of Art!
Saturday, November 15th 2014 10:30 a.m.

Two Los Angeles County Museum of Art docents and Art Professor/Artist Raoul De la Sota will lead the tour of the Latin American collection.

The LACMA Latin American collection spans 21 centuries with artifacts from the Pre-Columbian civilizations and cultures through the arts symbolizing the 300 years of the Spanish Colonial Period and into the Mexican Independence movement of the 19th century. The collection culminates in the 20th century with the rise of modern Mexican painting, the four great Masters and the Mural Renaissance.

\$60 ticket includes lunch and a special gift!

For ticket information, please contact Avenue 50 Studio at [323 258 1435](tel:3232581435) or if you can't make it, please consider making a \$15 tax-deductible pledge honoring Avenue 50 Studio's 15 years in Highland Park!

All proceeds benefit Avenue 50 Studio, Inc., a 501(c)(3) non-profit art gallery

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Health Insurance Enrollment

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